

UNION IS THE ONLY HOPE OF MINERS FOR FREEDOM!—SUMS UP MINOR



Raub Coal Co.'s Colliery at Luzerne, Pa., Near Hazelton.

(Robert Minor, the great artist, whose pictures and articles from Europe, in *The Day Book* attracted so much attention recently, is in Pennsylvania, visiting mining regions and telling why the miners demand higher pay, shorter hours and recognition of the union, in conferences in New York between union officials and operators.—Editor.)

BY ROBERT MINOR

Hazelton, Pa., April 6.—"I want to fight!"

This is the answer I got from a hard coal miner to my question as to living conditions in the anthracite fields of Pennsylvania. This man has been working near Wilkesbarre and living in a company house 18 years. He has four children.

"What do you want to fight about?" I asked.

"For straight pay for every pound of coal I cut, instead of being docked a quarter or a half-car for a few fragments of rock in the coal. For recognition of the union, so the union